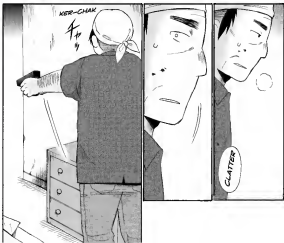


# Chapter 12 The Boy









AGAIN...?  
DAMNIT

I HADN'T  
HAD THAT  
DREAM IN A  
WHILE...



OH? HEN,  
WHAT'S  
YOUR PROB-  
LEM?

LEAD  
TO GO  
TO A CAR-  
SET?









THAT  
KILLED  
THOSE  
PEOPLE  
THIS  
WEEK.



TWO  
DEALERS  
HAVE BEEN  
KILLED AS  
WELL.

WHAT?



THEY'RE  
TRYING  
TO  
PROVOKE  
US!

BUT THEY  
PURPOSELY  
LEFT CHAN  
ALIVE TO  
TELL US  
ABOUT IT!



DON'T  
ALLOW  
YOURSELF  
TO BE PROVOKED.  
WAIT FOR  
THE RIGHT  
CHANCE.

WE'RE  
GATHERING  
INFORMA-  
TION, BUT  
THERE'S  
NOTHING I  
CAN TELL  
YOU RIGHT  
NOW.



WAIT A...  
WHAT'S  
GONG ON  
HERE?  
THOSE  
PEOPLE...?

ONLY  
PEOPLE  
INVOLVED  
WITH DRUGS  
HAVE BEEN  
KILLED. THIS IS  
PROBABLY  
THE WORK OF  
A FACTION  
SEPARATE  
FROM  
SHINSEN'S  
BUT THE  
ONE THAT'S  
OUT TO GET  
YOU GUYS.



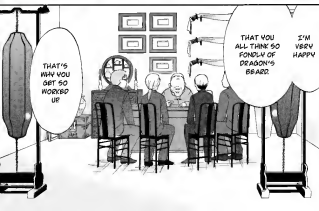












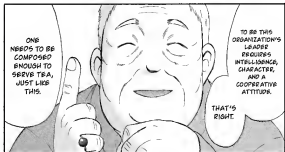




I'LL GO  
AHEAD AND  
OVERLOOK  
THIS  
INCIDENT.



.....NO  
GOOD  
IT WAS  
SLIGHTLY  
CHIPPED







THAT'S  
NOT  
WHAT IT  
SOUNDED  
LIKE  
TO YOU,  
KUN-  
SANT

R-HE  
WAS  
TELLING  
US TO  
COOL  
OFF



I'M NOT  
GONNA DO  
THE KIND  
OF STUPID  
THINGS  
YOU DO.

FLINCH  
ビクッ



I THINK  
DIFFER-  
ENTLY  
FROM  
THE  
WAY YOU  
DO.



ONE  
RAT IS  
ALL I  
NEED





Book: How to Cook Genuine Chinese Cuisine



TWO DRUG  
DEALERS  
WERE  
KILLED  
TOO.





THE  
FIELDS ARE  
CONTROLLED  
BY  
DRAGON'S  
BEARD.

BUT  
TWO  
YEARS  
AGO,

THERE  
AREN'T MANY  
JOBS THERE,  
SO EVERYONE  
WORKS IN THE  
FIELDS GROWING  
INGREDIENTS  
FOR DRUGS.

.....THE  
ISLAND  
I'M FROM...  
SAIGU  
ISLAND..  
IT'S A  
SMALL AND  
VERY POOR  
ISLAND.



DRAGON'S  
BEARD GOT  
BACK ITS OWN  
BY KIDNAPPING  
THE CHILDREN  
ON THE  
ISLAND.

THEY FOUND  
OUT THAT A  
HIGH-RANKING  
PERSON ON THE  
ISLAND WAS  
SECRETLY  
MAKING DEALS  
WITH LOVELY  
HOMETOWN.



AND  
WHEN I  
TRIED TO  
ESCAPE  
FROM THERE,  
I CAME  
ACROSS  
HAKIMO-  
SENSEI...

BUT THE  
PLACE I  
WAS  
TAKEN TO  
WAS A  
BROTHEL.



THEY DIDN'T  
DO IT IN A  
VIOLENT WAY.  
THEY TOLD  
US THAT WE  
COULD WORK  
AND SEND  
BACK MONEY  
TO OUR  
FAMILIES.

I WAS  
AMONG THE  
CHILDREN  
THAT GOT  
ON THE  
BOAT AND  
CAME TO  
THIS TOWN.







HE'S  
PLANNING  
ON  
BECOMING  
A DECON-  
CRAP...

WHAT  
DOES HE  
MEAN?



ALL WE  
HAVE TO  
DO IS  
CHECK  
THEM  
OUT ONE  
BY ONE.

MANORU-  
SAN

LOOK FOR  
HIM? THE  
END OF  
PLACE A  
DEALER  
WOULD BE  
AT IS A BAR  
OR CLUB...  
DO YOU  
KNOW HOW  
MANY OF  
THESE ARE  
AROUND  
HERE?



LET'S  
SPLIT  
UP AND  
LOOK  
FOR  
HIM.



IT'S  
OKAY IF  
I GO  
ALONG,  
RIGHT?



IF SHE'S  
GOING TO  
PLACES LIKE  
THAT,  
THERE'LL  
PROBABLY BE  
LOTS OF  
PEOPLE  
SO...UH...

WEI CAN'T  
ENTER A BAR  
OR CLUB BY  
HERSELF









